

# EXHIBIT 1

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Articles on MTBE

Please review these articles promptly and provide any comments / critiques that you may have by January 6th (you may call & follow with written comments) in time for the NEIWPCC meeting on January 8 where API may be interested in providing a rebuttal.

The paper by Barrett, Moreau and Lowry was submitted as part of the 1986 NWWA-API GW Conference Proceedings. I have alerted Jay Lehr of NWWA that members of the API GW TFF may have some comments to provide since some of the technical claims may be unsubstantiated and erroneous. Furthermore, it is supposed to be a technical paper, leaving out any emotionalism.

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and biases which do not belong there!

The Alcohol Weekly article is of possible grave concern to the "oxygenate producers", especially as not all facts are in! ☑

One further note is that EPA is contemplating conducting studies on the chronic effects of MTBE.

With the phasedown of lead in gasoline, the ethers are gaining more attention. API will need to deal with the ethers and alcohols as octane enhancers in gasoline in a systematic way. I am sure that meetings will be held to discuss this subject in greater detail in the near future.

If you are interested in contributing to the paper review effort and wish to discuss this issue more formally, I suggest a conference call with all of you on January 6<sup>th</sup>. Please think about this as I shall call each of you on Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>.

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